

### **This Week of April 10, 2016**

Sun 9:30am Religious Education (4/10)  
Sun 12:00pm High School/Post Confirmation Group (4/10)  
Tue 9:00am Altar Society Meeting (4/12)  
Tue 7:00pm Knights of Columbus Meeting (4/12)

### **Next Week of April 17, 2016**

Sun 9:30am Religious Education (4/17)  
Sun 12:00pm High School/Post Confirmation Group (4/17)  
Fri 6:00pm Rehearsal Variety Show (4/22)  
Sat/Sun Biscotti Sale after masses (4/23-24)

### **Mass Intentions**

**Please contact the office, 822-7696, if you would like to schedule a Mass intention.**

Sat 4:00pm For the People (4/9)  
Sat 5:30pm Manuel Matos & Deolinda Freitas+ (4/9)  
Sun 8:30am Maria & Joe Andrade+ (4/10)  
Sun 11:00am Fr. Mike Kelly+ (4/10)  
Mon No Mass (4/11)  
Tue 8:30am Irene Gouin + (4/12)  
Wed 8:30am Available for Intention (4/13)  
Thur 8:30am Nadene Peterson + (4/14)  
Fri 8:30am Available for Intention (4/15)  
Sat 4:00pm Orlando Silva + (4/6)  
Sat 5:30pm For the People (4/16)  
Sun 8:30am Maria Rita Rafael + (4/17)  
Sun 11:00am Luis Furtado + (4/17)

**The Rosary is prayed before the 8:30am Mass Tues thru Fri.**

**Please let the parish office know of your loved one's illness or recovery so we are able to keep our prayer list current.**

### **Pray for the Sick, those here and others known to us:**

Michael Gai, Rick DaMassa, Traci Fitzpatrick, Erica Mills, Paul Hahn, Maria Silva, Patricia Clarke, Peggy Dimmick, Arnold Souza, and Nina DeVilbiss.

### **Pray for the Souls of the Faithful Departed**

Nadene Peterson, Agnes Gouin, Orlando Silva, Nathan William McCauley, Sr. Pat Carson, and Fr. Mike Kelly.

**Thank You** to our parishioners who contributed to the Sunday offering.

St. Mary's Regular Collection:	\$3103.00
St. Joseph's Regular Collection:	\$ 317.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 3420.00</b>

**Outreach Ministry** To arrange for a phone call, visit, and/or to receive Holy Communion, please call **707-499-3331**.

**Coffee Hour** will be hosted by the Portuguese Community in April. The ICF will host in May.

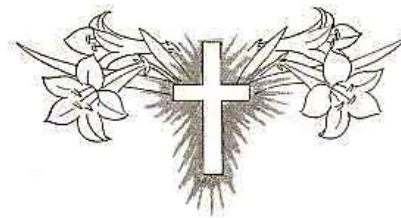
### **2016 Annual Mission Appeal (AMA) Santa Rosa Diocese**

2016 Target: \$20,500. Pledges to date: \$6,100.

**Capital Campaign** – The Capital Campaign is a 5 year program. 5-year target: \$295,000. Pledges to date: \$152,309.

**SAVE THE DATE!!** June 18, 2016 (Sat.) Santa Rosa Religious Education Conference will be held at St. Bernard's School in Eureka. Registration begins May 9<sup>th</sup>. Contact Carmen Perez Aanenson. 707-566-3366.

**Variety Show & Picnic Potluck** will be on Sunday, April 24<sup>th</sup> in Leavey Hall after the 11:00am Mass. A dress rehearsal will be on Friday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6pm in Leavey Hall. Questions? Contact Paula Proctor, 822-9573 or Anita Reynolds, 822-2447.



## **3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter**

### **Believing in People**

There are two calls of Peter related in the Gospels. The first occurred at the start of Jesus' ministry. (Mk 1:16-18) The second occurred after the resurrection, and is related in today's Gospel. Three years separated those two calls. During that time a lot of things had happened for Peter. He had found out a lot about the man who called him, about the task to which He called him, and, above all, about himself. When the second call came, Peter was a wiser and humbler man. Therefore, his second 'yes' was far more mature and enlightened than his first 'yes' had been.

Peter's story is one of calling, falling and re-calling. It shows that Christ's call doesn't exclude falls. A vocation is not something one hears once and answers once. This call has to be heard many times, responded to many times. Each day a part of the chosen path opens up before us, a part we have not trodden before. As one goes on, the call gets deeper, and the response becomes more interior and more personal.

All vocations are vocations to love – love of the Lord, and love of the lambs and sheep of His flock (our brothers and sisters in the community).

“It can happen that we lose interest in people, and even become blind to their strengths, when we discover their limitations. During His Passion Jesus discovered the limitations of Peter. Yet He didn't write him off. He continued to believe in him, and in time he became good. Like Peter, we are weak human beings, who are inconstant in our beliefs. We need someone who understands our weaknesses, who realizes that it may take time for us to overcome them, and who doesn't write us off because we don't produce the goods at once.” (Reflection by Fr. Flor McCarthy, S D B.)

~Father Bala.

### **One Hour Adoration & Divine Mercy Chaplet**

We will have the One Hour Adoration every First Sunday of the Month starting with the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3 pm. Please do come and join in this prayer.

**Biscotti Sale** - ICF will be hosting a biscotti sale on April 23 & 24 after each Mass at St. Mary's. Stop by and support ICF by buying some delicious biscotti!

Sunday, April 17 is **World Day of Prayer for Vocations**, when Catholics around the globe are asked to intercede for more priests & religious sisters & brothers. For resource materials you may go to [www.vianneyvocations.com](http://www.vianneyvocations.com).

**ST MARY'S IS GRATEFUL THIS WEEK FOR:**

\* Joe Avelar for all his hard work and dedication procuring flowers and decorating the altar so beautifully over Holy Week. Thank you!!



\* THE SUN VALLEY GROUP – Thank you for all the donated Easter Flowers!!

\* Weeds be Gone!! Thanks to all the parish volunteers and Newman Center students who provided grounds maintenance care. Looks great!!



\$1,000 has been earmarked for our celebration fund. This is the profit generated from March Scrip sales. More supporters, more PROFIT! Think about writing your checks to the 'St. Mary's scrip program' instead of stores. Look over our lists at the scrip table or take one of each home. You may be surprised what is available for you to purchase.

**REMEMBER: SCRIP MAKES CENTS.**

**SCRIP Volunteers:** Marge is working on the SCRIP schedule and would like for you to contact her by **April 15** if there are any dates you cannot help with SCRIP. She can be reached at 822-0539 and at marged@suddenlink.net.



**Baptism class** is held monthly for parents & Godparents on Saturdays at 3:00pm in the Church Meeting Room. The next class will be on April 16<sup>th</sup>. Appointments are required- call the office, 822-7696.

**The basic requirements for Baptism:**

- Family must be registered in a parish & be regular Mass attendees.
- One or both parents need to be a practicing Catholic.
- Child must have a reasonable chance to be brought up in the Catholic Faith.
- Parents & Godparents must attend a 'Baptism Preparation' class.
- At least one Godparent must be a practicing Catholic.
- A three month waiting period (after initial request) is required.

**Additional Adoration and Mass Opportunities**

**Christ the King Church (CTKC) Parish, McKinleyville**

**Weekdays:**

- Monday Mass 9:00am
- Tuesday Communion Service 9:00am
- Wednesday & Thursday Prayer Service 9:00am
- Friday Adoration 3:00pm followed by Mass 4:00pm

**Weekends:**

- Saturday Confessions 3:30pm followed by Mass 4:00pm
- Sunday Mass 9:00am
- First Saturday of Month Mass 6:00pm - **Trinidad**

**Saint Kateri Tekakwitha Mission, Hoopa**

Sunday Mass 11:30 am

**HSU Newman Center, Arcata**

- First Friday Adoration 4:30 pm - Newman Center
- Friday Mass 5:30 pm - Newman Center
- Sunday Mass 5:30 pm - Lutheran Church (except semester break and in the summer)

**Jubilee Year of Mercy**

**TO FORGIVE INJURIES - WILLINGLY**

We are now celebrating a Jubilee year, which in the Old Testament was a time when all debts were written off. It is not easy for us to do that for past offenses. However, when we start to limit our own forgiveness of others we become hypocrites. We can't forgive someone for a crime they committed against us, but then expect to be forgiven of all our sins in the Sacrament of Confession. Forgiving others is difficult at times because we do not have God's limitless mercy and compassion. But Jesus tells us: "If you do not forgive others their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive yours" (Mt 6:15). Jesus is very precise in what he demands however He also teaches us that we should rely on Him to help us show others the mercy of God.

Forgiveness is a concept that can be misunderstood.

**First**, the call to forgive does not imply some dishonoring or diminishing of the pain or injustice someone has experienced.

**Second**, it does not mean that there is a requirement to stay in or resume relationships that are poisonous or dysfunctional.

**Third**, forgiveness is not a work we must do of our own power, but a gift to be received from God.

**Fourth**, we should begin not with the forgiveness we wish to extend but with the forgiveness we have received as Paul says "forgiving one another as God in Christ forgave you" (Eph 4:32). Every time we look at a Crucifix we see how God has forgiven us in Christ, generously, down to the last breath of his Son's body.

**Fifth**, forgiveness of injuries is a work of mercy toward our own self. Almost nothing is more poisonous, both to us and others, than festering anger and resentment.

When Pope John Paul II was shot in St. Peter's Square, he forgave his attacker at the first moment he could. In fact, he decided to forgive his assassin during the ambulance ride to the hospital! His initial reaction was not one of rage or vengeance, but one of mercy and forgiveness. This is the type of heart that we need to cultivate: a heart constantly open to forgiveness. Our hearts must not hold on to offenses for years and years, but be ready to forgive immediately after we are hurt.

Christ the King Church in McKinleyville is having a Spring Fling Dinner on Sun, April 17 at 4:00pm. All are invited. Tickets are on a pre-sale basis - \$18 (Adults) \$9 (Children, ages 3-12.) Checks can be mailed to Christ the King. For any questions, contact Carol, 498-7281 or 839-2911 (office.)

The Secular Discalced Carmelites invite you to a Day of Recollection at Assumption Parish, Ferndale, on April 16<sup>th</sup>, 9:30-3:30pm. Bring a bag lunch. Drinks and dessert will be provided. Questions? Call Alan or Ginny Fox at 725-6930.

**Rectory for Rent:** The Rectory at Christ the King in McKinleyville is available for rent, \$1100.00 per month. This 1500 square foot residence has 2 bedrooms/2 bathrooms with a 2-car garage and a laundry room. If you know someone who is interested, please call **Dolores at 839-0628**.

**WELCOME TO ST MARY'S!** Whether you are a long time parishioner, a returning Catholic, or a new member, we hope your time with us is a meaningful and spiritual experience. If you haven't registered, please complete this form and return it to the rectory office or place it in the offertory basket. Name \_\_\_\_\_ New Parishioner yes/no  
Address \_\_\_\_\_